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SUBJECT.

Disposal of applications for manufacturing or storing fire-work explosives in the Bangalore city.

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FILE HEADING.

Disposal of applications for manufacturing or storing fire work compositions in the Bangalore city.

From

The Honorary President, Municipal Council, Bangalore city.

No. 227 Dated 26-2-16. Received 30-3-16.

Diary No. 8608 Enclos. 3. Spare Copies. Serial No. 1.

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Requests that, for reasons stated, instructions may be issued to the Police Dept, that before disposing of applications for manufacturing or storing fire work compositions in the Bangalore city the opinion of the President of the Municipal Council may be obtained in the 1st instance.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

1) Submitted with a draft calling for opinion of the Director, D.M.G. in the matter.

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17-4-16.

2) Issue

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2 To The Director of Mines & Geol.

No. G: 14603 dt 19.4.16.

Forwards (in original with one enclosure) Sl 1, stating that the manufacture, storage of explosives in Hale Kasi Road Bangalore is dangerous to the public and requesting that Police authorities may be instructed to obtain the opinion of the President of Municipal Council and requests him to favour Govt with his own opinion in the matter.

3. From the same officer

No 3476 dt 4-5-16.

With reference to Sl 2, forwards a note on the subject by the Inspector of Explosives and states that there are five licenses for the possession & sale of manufactured fireworks but no license for the manufacture of the same fireworks and if the storage of explosives in any particular instance is considered undesirable the President of the city Municipal council may address the Dist Magte who as licensing officer can refuse a license if satisfied as to the soundness of the objection.

3) Submitted for orders.

AHS. 23-5-16.

4) Put up draft Proceedings in accordance with Director's views & approving his suggestions

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5) Submitted with a draft for appl. Sanction

AHS 29-5-16.

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6) [signature] [signature] 15/6

7) Issue - dft on Endt to petrs.

[signature] 16/6-16

4 To The President, City Municipal Council, Bangalore
The Director, Dept of Mines & Geology
The District Magte, Bangalore Dt.
No. G. 16952-4 dy 20-6-16.

States that Govt are not prepared to modify the existing procedure which based upon statutory regulations & rules. If the storage of explosives in any particular instance is considered undesirable the Dt Magte maybe addressed on the subject who as licensing officer can refuse a license if satisfied as to the soundness of any objection

8) Submitted with a draft endorsement to the petitioners as directed

AHS [signature] 15-7-16, 17-7-16

9) Issue

[signature] 28/7-16.

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No C: 1708 dt 4.8.16.

States that the conditions of licenses have been drawn up with due regard to safety based upon experience. If storage of explosives is considered undesirable the 1st draft may be addressed on the subject who as licensing officer can refuse a license if satisfied as to the soundness of any objection.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,

Bangalore City, dated 25th February 1916.

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From

DEWAN BAHADUR RAJA SABHA BHUSHANA
K. P. PUTTANNA CHETTY, ESQ.,
Honorary President, Municipal Council,
Bangalore City.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
~~General &~~ Revenue Departments, Bangalore.

SIR,

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With reference to your official memorandum No. 4099/Ml.33-15-39 dated the 4th December 1915, forwarding for disposal a petition from B. Sankarappa and other residents of Hale Kasai Road, Bangalore City, complaining that several shops for the manufacture and sale of explosives have been permitted in their quarters of the town so as to endanger the safety of residents of the locality and praying that the said shops may be ordered to be removed to a less objectionable neighbourhood, I have the honor to state that the danger complained of by the petitioners really exists and requires early redress. The fireworks in various stages of manufacture are stored in small shops and are a menace to the safety of the whole neighbourhood. It is providential that no serious conflagrations have occurred, but the danger is ever present.

2. With a view to the City Municipality having some control in the granting of licenses for the manufacture and sale of fire works, this item of trade was included in the

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From The Honorary President
Municipal Council
Bangalore city

To The Secretary to the
Government of Mysore
Revenue Department

Dated 25th } February 1916.
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Requesting that Government may be pleased to issue instructions to the Police Department that before disposing of applications for manufacturing or storing fire work compositions in the city, the opinion of the President of the Municipal Council may be obtained in the first instance

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draft bye laws relating to dangerous and offensive trades in the City, but this was not sanctioned by Government as the trade was governed by the Explosives Regulations and Rules thereunder.

3. As the grievance of the petitioners is a ~~just~~ real one, I request you will be so good as to move Government to issue instructions to the Police Department that before disposing of applications for manufacturing or storing fire-work compositions in the city, the opinion of the President of the Municipal Council may be obtained in the first instance. Copy of the Health Officer's memo on the subject and the Managing Committee's resolution thereon are also submitted for your information.

4. The petition received with the communication under reply is herewith returned.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. N. Hammond

Honorary President.

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Submitted to the Honorary President:-- Enc to Mul 222-15-1

Government in their order No.9376 Ml. 69-13-109 dated 25th May 1915 directed the deletion of "Fire Works" from the draft Bye laws to regulate Dangerous and Offensive Trades, submitted by the City Municipal Council for sanction. The manufacture and sale of "Fire Works" are controlled by the Mysore Explosives regulation of 1888 and the rules framed thereunder.

(2) According to this regulation, "Fire works" fall into the 7th class of explosives and have 2 main divisions viz "Fire work compositions" and "Manufactured Fire works." Each process of manufacturing, possessing or selling "Fire works" should be licensed by the District Magistrate. (Rule 9)

(3) The explosive shall be manufactured in a tent or any lightly constructed one storeyed building exclusively appropriated for the purpose and separated from any dwelling house, highway, street, public thoroughfare or other public or frequented place or any place where explosive is stored by the distance

(a) In the case of "Fire work Compositions" of 100 yards

(b) In the case of "Manufactured fire works" of 50 yards

and made and closed so as to prevent unauthorised persons from having access thereto and to secure it from danger from without (condition 4 of the licese form under Rule 9).

(4) The explosives shall be kept in a substantially constructed uninflammable building or fire proof safe approved by the Licensing Officer and separated from any dwelling house, highway, street, public thoroughfare or other public or frequented place or any place where explosive is stored by the distance,

(a) in the case of "Manufactured Fire works" of 50 yards

(b) in the case of "Fire work compositions" of 100 yards

and made and closed so as to prevent unauthorised persons from having access thereto and to secure it from danger from without.

Provided that 50 lbs or less of Fire work~~s~~ Compositions and 100 lbs of manufactured Fire works may be kept in a dwelling house or other building not satisfying the above conditions in a secure receptacle exclusively appropriated to keeping explosive (condition 2 of the Licese form under Rule 9).

(5) It will thus be seen that more latitude is shown in the case of "Manufactured Fire works" than for "Fire work compositions" and in the case of buildings where explosives of these 2 Divisions are merely stored than for places where they are actually prepared.

(6) The undersigned is not aware to what extent public convenience demands the existence of large stores of Manufactured Fire works in the most crowded part of the city; but there cannot be any doubt that the Manufacture and storage of highly explosive "compositions" in such locality should strongly be condemned. During the last 15 years, 2 explosions involving loss of life and damage to property have been reported and it is perhaps through extrodinary good fortune that worse fate has not befallen the residents in the neighbourhood. The ghastly catastrophe that might result from the Fire spreading on the clothes stores in Avenue Road can easily be conceived without putting undue strain on the imagination.

(7) The undersigned therefore believes that the petitioners have just cause to be anxious about their life and property in this vicinity and that the Municipality should adopt measures to secure redress.

(8) It seems to be absolutely necessary that Manufacturing Fire works and storing Fire work~~s~~ Compositions should be prohibited by a strict adherence to the terms of the Mysore Explosives Regulation by the District Magistrate. With regard to storage or exposure for sale of "Manufactured Fire works" Government may be moved to permit the Municipality inserting that item in the Bye laws

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regulating Dangerous Trades.

Sd. R. Subba Rao

Health Officer.

" C O P Y "

For Honorary President.

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Bangalore City Municipal Council.

Proceedings of the Managing Committee Meeting held on the 19th February 1916.

2. Revenue Secretary's letter No.4099/M1.33-15-39 dated the 4th December 1915 forwarding for disposal petition from B. Sankarappa and other residents of Hale Kasayi Road complaining about the existence of several shops for the manufacture and sale of explosives in their locality etc.

Also Health Officer's memo on the subject.

Resolution:--The grievance is a just one. Government may be requested to instruct the Police that before disposing of applications for manufacturing or starting Firework compositions in the City, the opinion of the Municipal Council may be taken.

Sd. R. Subba Rao
Vice President.

" C o p y "

For Honorary President.

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No. G 14503/4.

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To

The Director, Dept of Mines & Geology.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith (in original with enclosures) letter No 227 dt 26th February 1916 from the ~~Honorary~~ President, Municipal Council, Bangalore City, stating that the manufacture & storage of explosives in Stale Kasai Road, Bangalore city, is dangerous to the public and requesting that the Police authorities may be instructed to obtain the opinion of the ~~Honorary~~ President, M. Council, before granting licenses etc and to request

P.T.O. over.

Date of issue 19/4/16

Signed by MB L Rao.

× for kind return when done with

SUBJECT.

you to favour Govt with your opinion in the matter.

I have etc.

For Secy to Govt.
Gladstone

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BANGALORE, 4th May 1916

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FROM

DR. W. F. SMEETH, M.A., D.SC., A.R.S.M., &c.,
Director, Department of Mines and Geology,
Mysore State.

To

D.M.Narasinga Rao, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness the
Maharaja of Mysore, General Department.

SIR,

In reply to your letter No. G.14503/Geol. 61-15-2, dated 19th April 1916, regarding the manufacture and storage of fireworks in certain localities in Bangalore City, I have the honour to enclose herewith a Note on the Subject by the Inspector of Explosives from which it will be seen that, in the locality referred to there are five licenses for the possession and sale of manufactured fireworks but no license for the manufacture of fireworks or firework composition. The licenses are granted by the District Magistrate in accordance with the provisions of the Explosives Rules and so long as the conditions of the licenses are observed there would appear to be no reason for cancelling them or refusing to grant them. It is presumed that the conditions have been drawn up with due regard to safety based on experience. I do not think that the opinion of the President, Municipal council, should override the Statutory Rules, but, if the storage of explosives in any particular instance was considered undesirable, the President ~~might~~ might address the District Magistrate on the subject, who, as the licensing officer, could refuse a license if satisfied as

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to the soundness of any objection.

2. The enclosures to your letter under reply are returned herewith.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Director,

Department of Mines and Geology.

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Letter No.G.14503/Geol.61-15-2, dated 19th April 1916, from the Secretary to Government General Department.

The residents of Hale Kasai Road, Bangalore City, the Health Officer, the City Municipal Council and the Honorary President, are all of opinion that manufacturing of "Explosive Composition" and its storage and that of manufactured fireworks in crowded localities like the Old Kasai Road is unsafe and objectionable. The point has not been lost sight of in the Mysore Explosives Rules which are framed on the lines of the British India Rules which in turn are extracted from the Rules in force in England; provision to prevent all indiscriminate and unlicensed dealing has fully been made.

2. There are current in the locality complained of 5 premises licensed merely for the possession and sale of prepared fireworks within the quantities limited by the District Magistrate consistent with the conditions of the situation of the premises; For manufacturing the fireworks however the District Magistrate has assigned places in Dodbail Khana, Kumbargunte, Siddapur and Gurappanapalya.

3. The petitioners request that dealing in explosive articles in Old Kasai Road should be entirely put a stop to; the Health Officer suggests that manufacturing of fireworks and storing firework composition should be prohibited by a strict adherance to the Explosives Rules by the District Magistrate and that the item of exposure for

sale of manufactured fireworks may be inserted in the Bye-Laws regulating Dangerous Trades; the Municipal Council is of opinion that the Police should be instructed to seek the opinion of the Council before disposing of applications for manufacturing or storing firework composition in the City and the Honorary President proposes that the Police Department should secure the opinion of the President in the first instance prior to the disposal of applications by ~~Rule 9 of the Mysore~~ them. Rule 9 of the Mysore Explosives Rules vests the authority to grant licenses within 200 lbs. in the District Magistrate and he can exercise his full discretion in regard to the selection of places for manufacture, storage and sale in strict adherance to the prescribed conditions. Besides, he has full power to limit the quantities of storage in accordance with the circumstances and surroundings. It is not understood what the Police have to do in the disposal of applications, but all Police Officers of and above the rank of Inspectors are empowered to occasionally inspect the sale and other premises according to Rule 43 and bring to light any miscarriage of the rules or conditions of the license.

4. The manufacture of Explosives is governed by conditions laid down on Explosive License Form A. Condition 4 fixes the distances by which the places of manufacture of Explosives should be removed from dwellings, highways, street, public thoroughfare or other public or frequented place in order to prevent danger to person or property

and conditions 7 to 11 prescribe the manner of storage of explosives consistent with safety. If these conditions above referred to are strictly adhered to there is no reason to apprehend any danger to person or property under ordinary circumstances and the complaint of the petitioners should be regarded as only imaginary.

5. Rule 5. Sec.2 (a) authorizes the possession of fireworks not exceeding 50 lbs. within Municipal areas and not exceeding 200 lbs. outside, if intended for use and not for sale and if not kept for more than 14 days.

6. Rule 5 Sec.2(b) authorizes the possession of fireworks within Municipal areas exceeding 50 lbs. and not exceeding 200 lbs. if not kept for more than 15 days and if obtained for use and not for sale with the sanction of the Magistrate of the First Class or Police Officer not below the rank of an Assistant Superintendent of Police.

7. Further, it has been proposed to introduce a clause in the Explosives Rules now under revision before Government in accordance with Government of India Rules that a permit may be granted by the District Magistrate to holders of licenses in Forms A, B, C & D to possess for a period of 14 days subject to the conditions in the license (except in this respect) any quantity of manufactured fireworks not exceeding two thousand pounds.

8. Neither the Municipal Council nor the Health Officer nor the Police is competent to decide whether the manufacture or possession of explosives may or may not be

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permitted in any particular area. The matter is clearly one to be regulated in accordance with the Explosives Regulation and Rules which have been framed with the special object of regulating the manufacture, possession sale etc. of Explosives and with due regard to the safety of persons and property. The rules apply generally to the State as a whole and an invidious exception cannot be made in the case of the Bangalore City or the Bangalore Municipality.

9. As full provision already exists in the rules in force in Mysore no further additions to or amendments of the Rules on the subject is deemed necessary.

29th April 16

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Inspector of Explosives

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Date of issue 20. 6. 1916

Signed by Mr B L Rao

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

READ—

Petition dated 26th November 1915 from the residents of Hale Kasayi Road, Chikpette Chowk, Bangalore city, praying that the shops for the manufacture & sale of explosives in their locality may be ordered to be removed to a less crowded locality.

~~ORDER THEREON.—No.~~

2). Letter no. 227 of 26th February 1916 from the President, Municipal Council, Bangalore city, stating that fireworks in various stages of manufacture are stored in small shops in

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Hale Kalaji Road, Bangalore city and are a menace to the safety of the neighbourhood and requesting that instructions may be issued to the Police Dept. that the opinion of the President, Municipal council, Bangalore city, may be obtained before disposing of applications for license for manufacturing or storing fire work compositions in the municipal limits.

3). correspondence ending with letter no 3476 dt 4th May 1916 from the Director, Dept of Mines & Geology, forwarding a note by the Inspector of Explosives on the subject and also furnishing his own opinion in the matter.

Order thereon:- G 16 952-4

It is stated by the Inspector of Explosives that in the locality referred to no licenses have been issued for the manufacture of fireworks or fireworks composition, but that there are 5 licenses for the possession & sale of manufactured fire-works. These licenses are granted by the District Magistrate, and are subject to the conditions specified therein and so long as these conditions are fulfilled there is no reason why the licenses should be refused

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or cancelled. The conditions have been drawn up with due regard to safety based upon experience. But if the storage of explosives in any particular instance is considered undesirable the President may address the District Magistrate on the subject who as the licensing officer can refuse a license if satisfied as to the soundness of any objection.

Govt are not prepared to modify the existing procedure based upon Statutory regulations and rules

To Secy to Govt.
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To The President, City Municipal Council, Bangalore
The Director, Dept of Mines & Geology
The District Magistrate, Bangalore Dt.

No. G 1708 / Geol 61-15-5 Dt 4.8.16

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